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Freedom of Information Act Request

Regional Freedom of Information Officer
U.S. EPA, Region 1 (OARM01-6)
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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL AND UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE

Dear FOI Officer:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, the Environmental & Natural Resources Law Clinic (ENRLC) at Vermont Law School respectfully requests the following:

1. Any records dating from January 1, 2010 to the present related to tile drains or tile drainage systems in Vermont, including but not limited to:
 - a. Any data or information about farms or agricultural facilities that currently use, have used, or might use tile drains or tile drainage systems in Vermont;
 - b. Any data or information regarding installation, materials, and discharge or outfall points of tile drains or tile drainage systems in Vermont;
 - c. Any data or information regarding the composition, quality, and/or quantity of the materials transported in and/or released from tile drains or tile drainage systems in Vermont, including concentrations of phosphorus and/or other constituents;
 - d. Any data or information regarding characteristics of the soil where tile drains or tile drainage systems are located in Vermont;
 - e. Any data or information regarding the use and management of tile drains or tile drainage systems, including intended purposes and timing of operation;
 - f. Any communications, maps, studies, reports, or other information relating to tile drains or tile drainage systems in Vermont;
 - g. Any data or information, including communications, on enforcement proceedings related to agriculture, tile drains, and/or animal feeding operations or agricultural facilities in Vermont.
2. Any records, guidance documents, memos, communications, or other documents, dating from January 1, 2010 to the present, relating to EPA and tile drains.

The ENRLC believes that these records are located with the Region 1 Regional Administrator. If EPA determines that any of the requested documents contain information that is exempt from release under FOIA, we request that EPA disclose all reasonably segregable non-exempt portions of the records. In addition, if this request is denied, in whole or in part, we request: (1) a detailed index/list of withheld records; this includes, but is not limited to, the name, subject, author, and date of the record; and (2) a detailed description of EPA's basis for withholding the records.

For fee purposes, the ENRLC is willing to pay up to \$25.00 to process this request. If fees are expected to be above this amount, please contact me at the information below before proceeding further with this request. Also, if the ENRLC can facilitate this request in any matter, please let me know.

Thank you in advance for your time and assistance. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,



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